

KitchenÄid™

AUTOMATIC ICE MAKER MODEL KUIS185

USE & CARE GUIDE

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

AWARNING

To reduce the risk of fire, electrical shock, or injury when using your ice maker, follow the following basic safety precautions:

- Read all instructions before using the ice maker.
- Never allow children to operate, play with or crawl inside the ice maker.
- Never clean ice maker parts with flammable fluids. The fumes can create a fire hazard or explosion.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

DO NOT STORE OR USE GASOLINE OR OTHER FLAMMABLE VAPORS IN THE VICINITY OF THIS OR ANY OTHER APPLIANCE. THE FUMES CAN CREATE A FIRE HAZARD OR EXPLOSION.

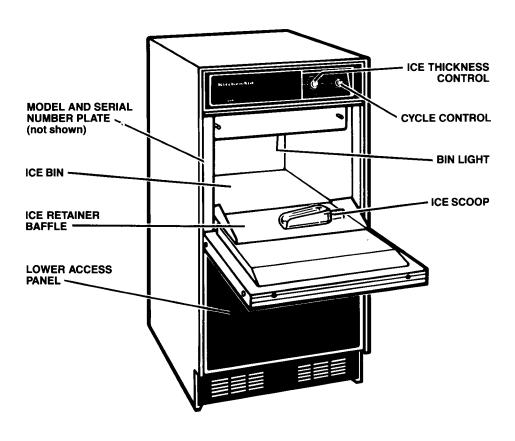
It is your responsibility to be sure your ice maker:

- is installed and properly leveled where it is protected from the elements.
- is located so that the front is not blocked to restrict air flow.
- is located in a well ventilated area with temperatures above 55°F (13°C) and below 110°F (43°C). Best results are obtained at temperatures between 70°F (21°C) and 90°F (32°C).
- is properly connected to a water supply and drain.
- is connected only to the proper kind of outlet with the correct electric supply and grounding. A 120 Volt, 60 Hz., 15 amp fused electrical supply is required. **IMPORTANT:** Time delay fuse or circuit breaker is recommended.
- is not used by anyone unable to operate it properly.
- is used only to do what ice makers are designed to do.
- is properly maintained.

IMPORTANT: A drain pump kit (EKDP3) is available as an option for installation where a floor drain is inaccessible.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

PARTS AND FEATURES



Copy Your Model and Serial Numbers Here

When you need service, or call with a question, have this information ready:

- Complete Model and Serial Numbers (from the plate – see diagram above).
- Purchase date from sales slip. Copy this information in these spaces. Keep this book, and your sales slip together in a handy place

Please complete and mail the Owners Registration Card furnished with this product. Model Number

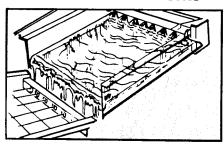
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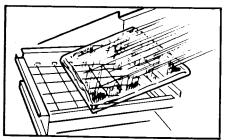
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USING YOUR ICE MAKER

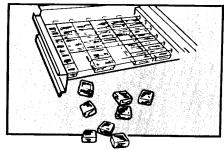
How the Ice Maker Works



1. Water is constantly circulated over a freezing plate. As the water freezes into ice the minerals in the water are rejected. This produces a clear sheet of ice with a low mineral content.

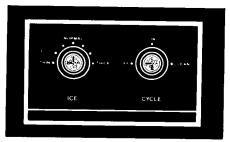


- When the desired thickness is reached, the ice sheet is released and slides on to a cutter grid. The grid divides the sheet into individual cubes.
- The water containing the rejected minerals is drained after each freezing cycle.
- Fresh water enters the machine for the next ice making cycle.



5. Cubes fall into the storage bin. When the bin is full the ice maker shuts off automatically and restarts when more ice is needed.

Setting the Controls



1. Select ice thickness. The ice maker has been pre-set to produce ice approximately ½" thick, while operating in a room ambient temperature of 70°F (21°C).

Operation in different ambient temperatures may require readjusting the control toward "THICK" or "THIN."

Best operation will be obtained with ice ½" to 5%" thick.

If operating in a warm room ambient temperature (above 90°F [32°C]), **DO NOT** set control to maximum thickness or the unit may malfunction.



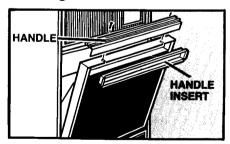
- 2. To start the normal ice making cycle, turn the Cycle Control Knob to "ON"
- 3. To stop ice maker operation, turn Cycle Control Knob to "OFF."

The "CLEAN" setting should only be used when solutions are circulated through the ice maker for cleaning. Only the water pump operates at this setting.

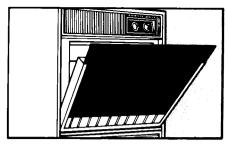
Changing the Bin Door Panel

You can easily change the color of the front panel on the storage bin door. Four colors are available; Black, White, Almond, and Harvest Gold.

To Change Panel:



- Open the storage bin door. Remove the two screws on the top of the door, which hold the handle.
- Loosen the screws in both of the side trim pieces.
- **3.** Remove the handle and the handle insert.



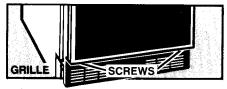
- Carefully slide the panels out. You will find two panels with four colors.
- 5. Choose the color you want to show and carefully slide the panels back into the door. IMPORTANT: Be careful not to scratch the panels as they are inserted.
- Replace the handle insert and tighten the screws in both side trim pieces. Replace the handle and the screws.

IMPORTANT: You can change the exterior of your ice maker to all-white or all-almond. Control panels are available in white and almond to match bin door and lower access panels. Order one of the following from your nearest KitchenAid dealer:

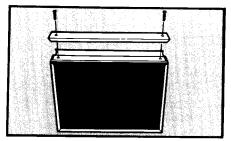
- White control panel (P.N. 4210583).
- Almond control panel (P.N.4210584).

You can also make a decorative wood front for the bin door to match existing cabinets. The panel should be ¼" (6 mm) thick and 17" x 11¼" (433 mm x 286 mm). Remove the color panels and break off the ribs on the door insulation to allow for wood thickness.

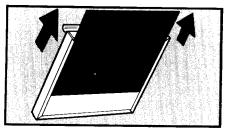
Changing the Lower Access Panel



 Remove the two screws in the bottom grille section.



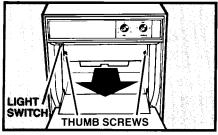
Remove the two screws from the top panel trim and remove the top trim.



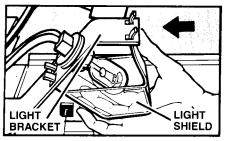
- 3. Carefully slide the panels out. You will find two panels with four colors
- 4. Choose the color you want to show and carefully slide the panel back into the lower access panel. **IMPORTANT:** Be careful not to scratch the panels as they are inserted. Optional decorative wood front to match existing cabinets can be installed. This panel should be 1/4" (6 mm) thick and $17'' \times 11^{15}/_{16}''$ (433 mm \times 303 mm). Remove the color panels and spacers to allow for wood thickness.
- 5. Replace the top trim and screws. Replace the lower access panel assembly and screws.

Changing the Light Bulb

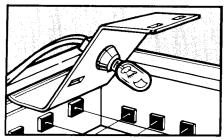
The ice maker has a light bulb in the top of the storage bin. To replace it, open the bin door and follow these instructions:



1. Remove the two thumb screws and slide the ice cutter grid forward, out of the two slots near the water pan. Set the ice cutter grid on the bin door.



2. Press the front of the light shield in while pulling down to remove it from the light shield.



- 3. Remove and replace with a 12-volt wedge base-type bulb (automotive #917).
- **4.** Replace the light shield, ice cutter grid and two thumb screws.

CLEANING AND CARING FOR YOUR ICE MAKER

Periodically inspect and clean the ice maker to keep it operating at peak efficiency and to prevent premature failure of system components.

Both the ice making system and the air cooled condenser need to be cleaned regularly.

The minerals rejected from the circulating water during the freezing cycle will eventually form a hard scaly deposit in the water system which prevents a rapid release of the ice from the freezing plate.

Clean the ice and water system periodically to remove mineral scale build-up. Frequency of cleaning depends on water hardness. With soft water, cleaning may not be required for several years. With hard water (15 to 20 grain/gal.), cleaning may be required as frequently as every six months.

A dirty or clogged condenser:

- Prevents proper air flow.
- Reduces ice making capacity.
- Causes higher than recommended operating temperatures which may lead to component failure.

Cleaning Exterior Surfaces



Wash the exterior enamel surfaces and gaskets with warm water and mild soap or detergent. Rinse and dry. Regular use of a good household appliance cleaner and wax will help protect the finish.

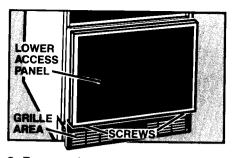
Do not use harsh or abrasive cleansers on enamel surfaces as they may scratch the finish.

Cleaning the Condenser

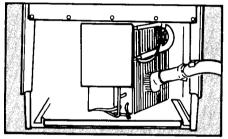
AWARNING

Personal Injury Hazard
Be sure the ice maker is OFF
and disconnected from the
main power supply. Condenser
fan rotation, sharp condenser
fins and hot tubing could
cause personal injury.

1. Disconnect electrical power supply to the ice maker and place the Cycle Control Knob in the "OFF" position.



- Remove the two screws from the grille area of the lower access panel.
- **3.** Pull forward and down to remove the panel.



4. Remove dirt and lint from the condenser fins and the unit compartment with a brush attachment attached to a vacuum cleaner.

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Condenser fins can bend easily. Use care when vacuuming the condenser to keep from bending the fins.

- **5.** Replace the lower access panel and screws.
- Plug unit in and place the Cycle Control Knob in the "ON" position.

Cleaning the Ice Maker System

AWARNING

Personal Injury Hazard
Most ice machine cleaners are
citric or phosphoric acid which
can cause irritation even after
dilution. In case of contact
with eyes, flush eyes
thoroughly with fresh water
and contact a physician
immediately. In case of contact
with skin, rinse well with water.
If swallowed, give large
amounts of water and contact
a physician immediately. Do
not induce vomiting. KEEP OUT
OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

1. Place the Cycle Control Knob in the "OFF" position.

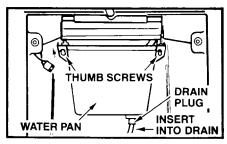


- 2. Remove the two thumb screws and slide the ice cutter grid forward, out of the slots near the water pan.
- 3. Unplug the electrical harness.

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Any ice on the grid should be melted under running warm water. Attempting to pick the ice slab off the grid may stretch and damage the grid wires.

4. Remove all ice from the storage bin and the freezing plate.



5. Drain the water pan by removing the drain plug and then replace the plug.



6. Pour ½ gallon (1.9 L) of hot tap water into the water pan and turn the Cycle Control Knob to "CLEAN." This warms up the system to make the cleaning solution more effective. Let circulate for five minutes. While tap water is circulating, prepare cleaning solution. Mix:

6 oz. (170 g) powdered citric, or phosphoric acid into ½ gallon (1.9 L) hot water

(Citric and phosphoric acid crystals are available from many pharmacies or scientific supply houses.)

Commercial ice machine cleaners (liquid) are also available from your dealer or refrigeration parts supply stores. Mix according to instructions on label (total quantity ½ gallon [1.9 L]).

- 7. Turn Cycle Control Knob to "OFF" and drain the water pan. (See step 5.)
- 8. Turn the Cycle Control Knob to "CLEAN" and slowly pour the hot cleaning solution into the water pan. (If solution foams while pouring, wait until foaming stops.) Then add the balance of the solution.

Allow solution to circulate until the scale has dissolved (15 to 20 minutes). Severe scale build-up may require repeated cleaning with a fresh quantity of cleaning solution.

To clean scale off the side flanges of the freezing plate, use rubber gloves and scrub with a plastic scrubbing pad or non-soap filled stainless steel pad dipped in cleaning solution.

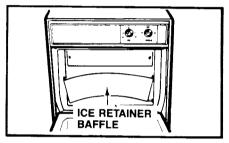
- **9.** Keep rubber gloves on to drain the cleaning solution. Turn the Cycle Control Knob to "OFF" and drain the water pan. (See step 5.)
- 10. Replace the plug and add ½ gallon (1.9 L) of fresh water. Set Cycle Control Knob on "CLEAN," circulate five minutes and drain. Repeat rinsing process.
- **11.** To clean the interior components, continue with steps 4-9 on pages 10 & 11.
- **12.** To start normal ice making cycle:
 - Reconnect electrical harness, slide cutter grid into place and tighten thumb screws.
 - Replace ice retainer baffle.
 - Turn Cycle Control Knob to "ON."

Cleaning the Interior Components

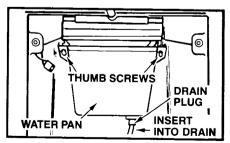
A WARNING

Personal Injury Hazard
Do not operate ice maker with
lower access panel or control
panel removed. Personal injury
could result.

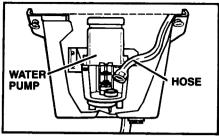
1. Turn the Cycle Control Knob to "OFF" and disconnect the electrical power supply to the machine. Open the storage bin door and remove any ice that is in the bin.



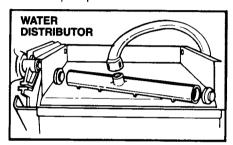
- Remove ice retainer baffle by flexing it and then slide it off the studs.
- Remove the ice cutter grid by unscrewing the two thumb screws, sliding the grid forward and unplugging the electrical wire harness.



 Remove the water pan by unscrewing the two thumb screws.



5. Remove the hose from the water pump.



- 6. Remove the water distributor from the freezing plate. It is held in place by rubber end caps. Remove the inlet hose and the small orifice in the inlet side of the distributor, make sure the end caps are located in the evaporator flange detents and that the water distributor holes face down.
- 7. Wash the interior components (ice retainer baffle, cutter grid, water pan, inlet hose and water distributor) and the storage bin, door gasket and ice scoop with mild soap or detergent and warm water. Rinse in clean water. These components should also be cleaned in a solution of 1 oz. (30 mL) of chlorine bleach in 1 gallon (3.8 L) warm water.

DO NOT WASH PLASTIC PARTS IN DISHWASHER. They cannot withstand temperatures above 145°F (63°C).

- **8.** Replace the interior components; water distributor, inlet hose and water pan.
- 9. Check the following:
 - Hose from water valve is in water pan.
 - Rubber drain plug is in water pan.
 - Water distributor is seated and holes are facing down.
 - Hose is reconnected to pump and water distributor.
 - Hose from water pan is inserted into storage bin drain opening.
- Reconnect electrical harness, slide cutter grid into place and tighten the thumb screws.
- 11. Replace the ice retainer baffle.
- **12.** Turn Cycle Control Knob to "ON."

Filtering and Treating Water

In most areas it will be beneficial to filter or treat the water being supplied to the ice maker. It can improve the reliability of the machine, reduce water system maintenance and produce the best quality of ice.

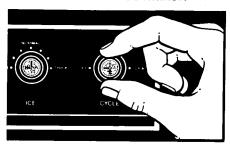
The installation of a polyphosphate filter will generally reduce scale build-up and the ice maker will require less frequent cleaning.

Municipal water systems are generally treated with chlorine to maintain a safe potable water supply. Activated carbon filters will sufficiently remove the residual chlorine from the water to reduce surface staining of stainless steel materials in the ice maker.

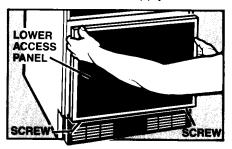
For information on filtering and treating the water, see the dealer from whom you purchased your ice maker or an authorized KitchenAid servicer.

VACATION AND MOVING CARE

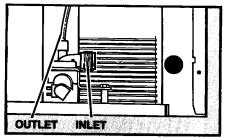
To shut down the ice maker:



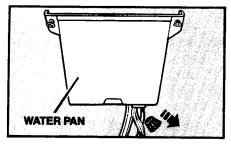
- **1.** Turn the Cycle Control Knob to "OFF."
- 2. Remove all ice from storage bin.
- 3. Shut off the water supply.



4. Remove two screws from grille area of lower access panel, then remove the panel.



- Disconnect the inlet and outlet lines to water valve. Allow these lines to drain and then reconnect to the valve.
- **6.** Replace lower access panel and screws.



- Remove water from drain lines and drain water pan if the unit will be subjected to freezing temperatures during shut down.
- **8.** Before using again, clean the ice maker and storage bin.

IMPORTANT: All components of the ice maker are permanently lubricated at the factory. They should not require any additional oiling throughout the normal life of the machine.

IF YOU NEED SERVICE OR ASSISTANCE

Follow These Steps

 If your ice maker should fail to operate, review the following list before calling your dealer. You could save the cost of a service call.

Unit does not run:

- Cycle Control Knob must be in the "ON" position.
- Check to see that power cord is plugged in.
- Check for blown fuse or tripped circuit breaker in the electrical supply to the machine.
- Room temperature must be above 55°F (13°C). Otherwise, bin thermostat may sense cold room temperatures and shut off even though bin is not full of ice. Also, unit may not restart once it does shut off.

Unit runs but produces no ice:

- Cycle Control Knob must be in the "ON" position.
- Check water supply to make sure it is open.
- If ice maker is operated at an elevation of 2000 feet or more above sea level, both the bin thermostat and ice thickness thermostat need to be recalibrated. See "Installation Instructions."

Unit runs but produces very little ice:

 Room temperature may be extremely high, over 90°F (32°C).
 In this case, it is normal for ice production to be low.

- Dirt or lint may be blocking the air flow through the finned condenser.
 Condenser needs to be cleaned.
- Check to see if the unit has a scale build-up in water and freezing system. Clean, if necessary.

Grid is not cutting ice sheets:

 Check the grid harness plug to make sure the connection is secure.

Taste in ice cubes:

- There may be unusually high mineral contents in water supply.
 Water may need to be filtered or treated.
- Do not put any foods in the ice bin
- Packaging material not all removed.

A more detailed "Trouble Diagnosis Chart" and other technical information is shipped with each unit and is located in the unit compartment section.

Service repair and replacement parts manuals may be ordered directly from:

KitchenAid Parts Distribution Center 123 Koomler Drive LaPorte, IN 46350

Specify the model number of the ice machine when ordering.

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- If the problem is not due to one of the above items, first call your dealer or repair service he recommends.
 - All service should be handled locally by the dealer from whom you purchased the unit or an authorized KitchenAid servicer.
- In the event you are unable to obtain the name of a local authorized KitchenAid servicer, call KitchenAid Customer Relations.

TOLL FREE: 1-800-422-1230

 A Customer Relations representative can recommend a qualified service company in your area.

If you must call or write, please provide: Model Number, Serial Number, Date of Purchase and complete description of the problem.

Write to:

Consumer Relations Department KitchenAid P.O. Box 558 St. Joseph, MI 49085-0558 4. If you are not satisfied with the action taken, contact the Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel (MACAP). MACAP is a group of independent consumer experts that voices consumer views at the highest levels of the major appliance industry. Contact them only when the dealer, authorized servicer or KitchenAid have failed to resolve your problem.

Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel 20 North Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60606

MACAP will in turn inform us of your action.

KitchenAid™ CONVERTIBLE ICE MAKER WARRANTY

LENGTH OF WARRANTY:	KITCHENAID WILL PAY FOR:	KITCHENAID WILL NOT PAY FOR:
ONE YEAR FULL WARRANTY FROM DATE OF PURCHASE FOR RESIDENTIAL USE.	Replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by an authorized KitchenAid servicing outlet.	A. Service calls to: 1. Correct the installation of the ice maker. 2. Instruct you how to use the ice maker. 3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring. 4. Correct house plumbing.
ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY FROM DATE OF PURCHASE FOR COMMERCIAL USE.	Replacement of any parts which are defective in materials or workmanship.	
FIVE YEAR FULL WARRANTY FROM DATE OF PURCHASE FOR RESIDENTIAL USE.	Replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship in the sealed refrigeration system. These parts are: 1. Compressor 2. Evaporator 3. Condenser 4. Dryer 5. Connecting Tubing. Service must be provided by an authorized KitchenAid servicing outlet.	B. Damage resulting from accident, alteration, misuse, abuse, improper installation or installation not in accordance with local electrical or plumbing codes. C. Any labor costs during the limited warranty. D. Replacement parts or repair labor costs for units operated outside the United States. E. Pick up and delivery. This product is designed to be repaired in the home.

KITCHENAID DOES NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so this exclusion or limitation may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

If you need service, first see the "Service and Assistance" section of this book. After checking "Service and Assistance," additional help can be found by calling our service assistance telephone number, **1-800-422-1230**, from anywhere in the U.S.

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